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the 11th inst. The writer of the letter signed H., and published as above, appears to forget that the school question is a public one, and should be discussed as other public questions are discussed. Personal matters have nothing whatever to do with it. The whole object of his letter appears to be to prejudice the people against a certain individual, and to eulogize himself as seachard the school. It suppersed impose tain individual, and to eulogize himself as teacher of the school. It appeared impossible for him to get through with his harangue without putting in a word here and there for the first person singular. But the most singular part of the letter is, that he had cheek enough to write it at all. Mr. H. is only a sojourner here and has no interest in the school beyond that of dollars and cents, and when that interest ceases he will go to some other locality, and which side of any question he will take depends controversy now going on in regard to our school. I did not think any man could be so entirely devoid of principle as he has proven himself to be fit his matter. In a conversation I had with him shortly after the Board voted on the book question, he advised me to write up the condition of our school house, and school property and the start it makes the school house, and school property and start it makes the school house. tion, he advised me to write up the condi-tion of our school house, and school prop-erty, and have it published in some one of the county papers; and he added in these words as near as I can recollect. The majority of the people in this town are old loggies and don't want any improvements, and as for the minority, there is not a man among them but what is alraid to speak his sentiments, unless, "he added, you are the man."

Mr. H. and myself agreed with each other on the school question, except the adoption of the new series of books. Ac-ting, however, upon his advice or sugges-tion, and to show him that there was a tion, and to show him that there was a man in town who was not afraid to speak his mind I wrote the letter and sent it to the Evening Reporter and it was printed August 4th. But before sending the letter to the printer I gave the MSS to Mr. H. to read. That part of the letter which refers to the condition of the school property he read over and over at least a half dozen times, and remarked as many times that every word of it was true, and he added that it did not tell half the story and advised me to enlarge on that part of it. He

with the acoption of the new series of school books, and he advised me to omit that part of the letter. Again acting upon his advice I made another copy of the letter, leaving out that part he did not approve of, adding the first in full, and a part of the second and last paragraphs. The balance of the letter was almost word for word the same as the one he read and approved. This is a status of the matter just as correctly as I am at this time able to give. The question may be asked if the above is true, why did he throw off his cont and write the letter published in the Evening Reporter. I decline to answer that question, or to give my opinion in regard to it. If Mr. H. had notthe arguments on the side he finally concluded to take, and was compelled to resort to personal matters in order to silence his opponent I don't intend to follow his example only so far as to Jefend myself and answer his calumnious charges. As to what his motive was I leave the citizens of this borough to decide for thempelves. I will only add that there are men in the town,

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achool boards been sitting on the chest?"
Please remember I do not charge fraud upon the part of any members of the school board, I have said elsewhere they are men above reproach, but they have failed in judgment and have allowed all these matters to go by default. Suppose, if you wish, that Mr. H's idea was carried out generally and the people who pay the most tax have the right to the largest representation. Then the sooner the whisky men take possession of Congress and the National treasury the sooner they will get their right. But such stuff as this is too nonsensucial to be discussed. Mr. H. undertakes to show the cost of our school, by comparing the cost of each pupil with that

month. I asked the Board to point out where, and in what particular our school was better than the township schools. This is why I made the remark, that the service rendered should be in proportion to the money expended. Last year the patrons wanted a graded school, or a primary department. The Board was not in favor of it, but to appease the patrons they went into an agreement with the teacher, Mr H., to pay him \$70 pr month, which was \$25 a month more than we paid former teacher. He was to receive the \$70 a month with the understanding that if it was necessary to employ the second teacher, he was to issue the service of the second teacher, he was to include the second teacher.

to employ the second teacher, he was to pay him, or her, out of the \$70. Mr. H was to be the sole judge as to whether the second teacher was needed. Of course Mr. of the increased tax. Now there is not man or a woman in the borough but wha knows that to be false. The proposition t build a new and costly school house we never made by any one that I ever hear never made by any one that I ever heard of, and it was never even talked of to my knowledge. He also says when the present school board was organized a few weeks ago, they found the school in debt one hundred dollars. He however, fails to tell how they came to be in debt, but leaves that part of it for what he chooses to style the cynical critics, to relate.

The School Board either in 1881 or '82 failed to perform some duty enjoined upon them by law, and they lost the State appropriation. That is how we came to be a \$100 in debt, if it is so much. It is not my design to be egotistical, but as Mr. H. says

lesign to be egotistical, but as Mr. H. says have not visited the school for over five years I must say something about myself was a member of and President of the Board for three years previous to 1880. While acting in that capacity I visited the school just as often as I thought it necessary, but not being gifted with the power of oratory my visits were few, as I did not suppose I could do much good. But because I did not visit the school every week or month, it is not even presumptive evidence that I had no interest in the school. I ask the citizens of this town to investigate this matter for themselves, and they will soon learn where the fault lies.

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